

Dear Homeowners,

On Monday 1 June we move to Alert Level 3 of the COVID-19 lockdown. I give a brief summary of how it will affect us at Jakkalsfontein, plus comment on a few other matters.

Domestic workers and arrangements

Domestic workers are allowed to return to work from Monday 1 June, but “relevant health protocols and social distancing measures for persons employed in private residences must be adhered to”. The taxi may only run at 70% capacity, which will allow us to transport no more than 15 domestic workers per day. We have made other arrangements for Jakkalsfontein staff who live in Darling to travel to and from work, so it will be possible to accommodate 15 domestic workers on the taxi on any given day. This is a temporary arrangement, and will be reviewed at the end of Level 3 of the lockdown. The taxi driver follows the usual hygiene protocols in place before and during the trip.

Homeowners who make use of the taxi service for transporting their domestic workers are requested to contact Meryl in the Admin Office to make or confirm the necessary arrangements.

New gate times over weekends

From 30 May to 1 October the gate will be staffed on weekends and public holidays between 11h00 and 15h00 only. Although contractors are permitted to enter the Reserve over weekends for emergency purposes, such events are the exceptions to the rule. Visitors who arrive at the gate are able to obtain access by contacting their host on the Mircom.

Taking temperature of contractors at the gate.

As part of the protocols to manage the Covid-19 pandemic, gate staff will measure the temperature of contractor staff on arrival at the gate. Should one or more of them present a temperature outside the normal range, they will not be allowed to enter the Reserve and the homeowner will be informed accordingly.

MTN Survey

As you are aware, an investigation to replace the present telephone system is underway. Homeowners were recently requested to access and fill out an internet link of MTN in an effort to secure a signal boosting service for Jakkalsfontein and inform the JHA admin office of poor cell phone signal reception.

We appreciate homeowners’ co-operation so far to our request. We realise it is confusing to answer questions that are addressed to MTN subscribers when you are not, but we ask you to complete as much of it as you can (use N/A if you cannot answer a question). One of our

potential service providers wants to use this exercise to motivate MTN to come and do an inspection at Jakkalsfontein. You may also get a response from MTN, which you are welcome to ignore.

Wood delivery policy

Woodcutters are not allowed to deliver wood to the houses, because of the security risk. Where homeowners want to have wood delivered by outsiders, prior arrangements must be made with Management to escort woodcutters to houses. A fee of R180 will be charged to the homeowner.

Pest control request

You are reminded that rodent poison could affect untargeted species like raptors. Please contact Steyn for advice on environmentally friendly rodenticide.

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